

World AIDS Day 2007

World AIDS Day is celebrated each year to create awareness and encourage support for AIDS services. In keeping with the 2007 World AIDS Day theme, "Take the Lead. Stop AIDS. Keep the Promise," the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services commends the 2007 award recipients for their leadership and efforts to reduce the incidence of HIV and AIDS.

December 1, 2007

Celebrated November 30, 2007
Montana State Capitol Rotunda
10:00 a.m.



Sponsored by the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

Governor's Recognition Awards



For Outstanding HIV
Prevention and Treatment

World AIDS Day 2007



Welcome

Laurie Kops, Supervisor, Department of Public Health and Human Services, HIV/STD Section

Opening Remarks

John Bohlinger, Lieutenant Governor,
State of Montana

Joan Miles, Director, Department of Public Health
and Human Services

Presentation of 2007 World AIDS Day Awards

Closing Remarks

Laurie Kops

Awards are given in the following categories:

- Person living in Montana with HIV/AIDS.
- Person making a substantial contribution to HIV/AIDS prevention or treatment efforts in Montana.
- Agency or group making an extraordinary difference in HIV/AIDS prevention or treatment efforts in Montana.

Luncheon in honor of award recipients to follow immediately after the ceremony in the Capitol Rotunda.

World AIDS Day 2007 Governor's Recognition Award Recipients

Connections

Non-profit support organization for at-risk individuals,
operated by Casey and Eddie Rudd, Bozeman.

Terry Cyr

Volunteer with the Ryan White Program, Missoula.

George DeKay

Person living with HIV and volunteer, Missoula AIDS Council.

Michael H. Downing, DDS

Dentist with the Billings Community Health Center and
volunteer, Healthcare for the Homeless Clinics.

Nancy Kelley

Volunteer with the Missoula AIDS Council.

Kathy Mackey, MA

Ryan White Program Assistant, Missoula.

Christopher Peterson

Case Manager for Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS,
Missoula.

Clyde Ross, Jr.

Person living with HIV and volunteer, Montana HIV Prevention
Community Planning Group, Libby.

Annie Sondag, PhD

Professor, University of Montana Department of Health
and Human Performance, Missoula.

Stephen Thiel

Person living with HIV and volunteer, Missoula AIDS Council.

University Congregational Church Women's Group

Volunteers Helen Bolle, Shirley Tiernan, Grace Will, Missoula.